

RECOGNIZING BISHOP CHARLES
BUSWELL

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 7, 1999

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take a moment to recognize a man whose dedication to his faith and community is unparalleled. Bishop Charles Buswell served selflessly as a priest for 60 years and this year marks 40 years since he was ordained bishop.

Bishop Buswell was born in Kingfisher, Oklahoma in July 1939. There, he served in a variety of positions in the diocese and also founded a parish, Christ the King. In September 1959, he was ordained Bishop of Pueblo. It was at this point in time he was elected to the Second Vatican Council in Rome, which he called the most significant event of his lifetime. There, during his service from 1962 to 1965, he was one of 2,500 Catholic bishops who discussed possible liturgical changes with Pope John XXIII. For Bishop Buswell it was an exciting time in which he felt he could truly make a difference. He is now one of only thirty living American bishops who attended the Council.

Bishop Buswell took on tough issues of the time. He led the way on issues such as antiwar, racism, just wages, and women's causes both in and out of the Church. Today, long after his 1979 resignation, he is regarded as a prominent clerical figure in the peace movement.

It is with this, Mr. Speaker, that I say thank you to a man who had a truly remarkable career of giving his time to help others. I would also like to recognize the 40th anniversary of his consecration as a bishop. The people of Colorado and every corner of the United States owe a debt of gratitude to this man who has fought so hard to make a difference.

TRIBUTE TO LEWIS E. PLATT

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

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Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Lewis E. Platt, Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer of Hewlett-Packard who is retiring after 33 years of service to the Company.

Hewlett-Packard has flourished under Lew Platt's leadership. The Company, based in the heart of Silicon Valley, Palo Alto, has increased its revenues every year since Mr. Platt was elected President and Chief Executive Officer.

But Lew Platt's success cannot be measured by sales figures only. Lew Platt took it upon himself to create a workplace second-to-none in its acceptance of women and minorities. Because of his passion and commitment to create a level playing field for all his employees, he built upon the established "HP Way," to the much-celebrated corporate values instituted by the Company's founders Bill Hewlett and David Packard. And because of Lew Platt's leadership, Hewlett-Packard is consistently among the top ten of Fortune's Best Companies to Work For in America.

Mr. Platt has focused Hewlett Packard's corporate giving on three objectives: significantly

improving K-12 science and math achievement, increasing the number of women and minorities studying and teaching science and mathematics, and ensuring that all children are ready to learn when they begin school. Under Mr. Platt's guidance, the Company has donated approximately \$55 million each year to education.

Lew Platt's leadership has extended well beyond Hewlett-Packard. In 1995, he was appointed by President Clinton to the Advisory Committee on Trade Policy Negotiations. He has served as Chairman of one of its three task forces, the World Trade Organization Task Force. He also serves on the Cornell University Council and the Wharton School Board of Overseers.

Lew Platt has also exemplified the best in leadership in his own community—Silicon Valley. In 1996, he was elected Co-Chair of the Board of Directors of Joint Venture: Silicon Valley, an organization formed to strengthen our local economy and help make our region a better place to live for everyone. Under his leadership, Joint Venture: Silicon Valley has launched a number of initiatives that bring people together from business, government, and education to identify and act on regional issues affecting our economic vitality and our quality of life. He has also served as a member of the California Business Roundtable.

Mr. Platt's leadership in California's 14th Congressional District and Silicon Valley which I'm so privileged to represent is a model for all to follow. Through his extraordinary leadership of H-P and the industry, Lew Platt has contributed mightily to our community and our country.

I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting Lew Platt for who he is and all he has done. We are indeed a better country and a better people because of this man.

CONGRATULATING MR. LEWIS E.
PLATT

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

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Mr. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, today I wish to congratulate Mr. Lewis E. Platt, Chairman of the Board, President, and Chief Executive Officer of the Hewlett-Packard Company, who is retiring after six years as Chairman of the Board and 33 years of service to the Hewlett-Packard Company. A friend and a neighbor in Silicon Valley from the beginning of his tenure with HP, Lew Platt has understood the importance both of giving back to the community that has given so much to his company and of improving the cities in which he lives and does business. In 1996 Mr. Platt was elected Co-chair, along with San Jose Mayor Ron Gonzales, of the Joint Venture Silicon Valley (Calif.) Network, an organization formed in 1991 to strengthen the local economy and make the area a better place in which to live.

Yet by far, Mr. Platt's greatest contributions to my constituents in Silicon Valley and to the nation as a whole have come through the educational programs he has established and sponsored through Hewlett-Packard, aiding students at all levels of school. Lewis Platt has focused HP's national efforts around three stated company goals: significantly improving

K-12 science and math achievements, increasing the number of women and minorities studying and teaching science and mathematics, and ensuring that all children are ready to learn when they begin school.

These platitudes might ring hollow were they not backed by substantive action, but under Mr. Platt's guidance Hewlett-Packard has established a tremendous philanthropy program in order to truly provide help to students of all ages. Because of Lew Platt's efforts and commitment, HP currently donates approximately \$55 million each year to education, with \$8 million going towards K-12 education. In my district, for instance, Hewlett-Packard has helped sponsor the San Jose Diversity in Education Partnership with San Jose State University, East Side Union High School District and Alum Rock Elementary School District. This initiative aims to increase the number of students who are prepared for college and interested in careers in engineering, and has worked with HP's Email Mentor Program, another initiative begun under Lew Platt, encouraging 5th through 12th graders to remain interested in math and science.

Mr. Platt has also helped establish a partnership between Hewlett-Packard and Independence, Silver Creek, and Overfelt High Schools in San Jose to encourage students to stay in school and continue their education after graduation from high school. The benefits of Lew Platt's belief in education, however, stretch far beyond the neighborhood of Hewlett-Packard's corporate headquarters in California. Under the guidance of Mr. Platt, Hewlett-Packard has undertaken and funded similar educational initiatives in Washington, Oregon, Colorado, Idaho, Georgia, Maryland, Delaware, and Massachusetts.

These broad educational efforts, which have meant so much to my constituents and to students across the country, have in many ways been a direct result of Lew Platt's vision, and for this all people who care about the education of our children owe him a debt of gratitude. Wrote Mr. Platt in an open company letter, "At HP, we recognize that supporting education is one of the most important things we can do to realize success for future generations, for our company, and for society as a whole." Lew Platt's corporate achievements at the Hewlett-Packard Company will be long remembered, the successes of the children he helped educate through HP will remain as an even stronger living reminder of the fine work he has done.

TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL CATANEO

HON. ROBERT L. EHRLICH, JR.

OF MARYLAND

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Mr. EHRLICH. Mr. Speaker, recently the City of Baltimore lost a beloved and respected gentleman, Mr. Michael Cataneo. "Big Mike" as he was widely known throughout his long career on the docks of Baltimore owned Cataneo Line Service, truly an example of the American Dream. His family immigrated from Italy, built the business from scratch and became a leading force in the development of the Port of Baltimore.